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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1	Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ)
Debtor.	

NO HEARING WILL BE CONDUCTED HEREON UNLESS A WRITTEN RESPONSE IS FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT AT 1100 COMMERCE ST # 1452, DALLAS, TX 75242 BEFORE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 30, 2019, WHICH IS AT LEAST 24 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SERVICE HEREOF.

ANY RESPONSE SHALL BE IN WRITING AND FILED WITH THE CLERK, AND A COPY SHALL BE SERVED UPON COUNSEL FOR THE MOVING PARTY PRIOR TO THE DATE AND TIME SET FORTH HEREIN. IF A RESPONSE IS FILED A HEARING MAY BE HELD WITH NOTICE ONLY TO THE OBJECTING PARTY.

IF NO HEARING ON SUCH NOTICE OR MOTION IS TIMELY REQUESTED, THE RELIEF REQUESTED SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE UNOPPOSED, AND THE COURT MAY ENTER AN ORDER GRANTING THE RELIEF SOUGHT OR THE NOTICED ACTION MAY BE TAKEN.

APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 328 AND 1103 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND FEDERAL RULE OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE 2014, FOR AN ORDER APPROVING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, NUNC PRO TUNC TO OCTOBER 29, 2019

The duly-appointed Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "<u>Committee</u>") in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "<u>Chapter 11 Case</u>") of Highland Capital Management, L.P., as debtor and debtor in possession (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), respectfully submits its application (the "<u>Application</u>") for entry of an order substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (the

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"Proposed Order"), pursuant to sections 328 and 1103 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Rule 2014-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "Local Rules"), authorizing the Committee to retain and employ the law firm of Sidley Austin LLP ("Sidley") as counsel for the Committee, *nunc pro tunc* to October 29, 2019. In support of this Application, the Committee submits the declaration of Bojan Guzina, a partner of Sidley (the "Guzina Declaration"), attached hereto as Exhibit B, and the declaration of Eric A. Felton, in his capacity as the representative of the Chairperson of the Committee (the "Felton Declaration"), attached hereto as Exhibit C. In further support of this Application, the Committee respectfully represents as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "Court") has jurisdiction to consider this Application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. Venue of this proceeding and this Application is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 2. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are sections 328(a) and 1103(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2014, and Local Rule 2014-1.

STATUS OF THE CASE AND JURISDICTION

3. On October 16, 2019 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtor commenced a voluntary case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "<u>Transferor Court</u>"). The Debtor has continued in possession of its properties and is authorized to operate its businesses and manage its properties as a debtor in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 4. On October 29, 2019, the United States Trustee for Region 3 (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed the Committee pursuant to Sections 1102(a) and (b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Committee consists of the following four (4) members: (i) Redeemer Committee of Highland Crusader Fund; (ii) Meta-e Discovery; (iii) UBS Securities LLC and UBS AG London Branch; and (iv) Acis Capital Management, L.P. and Acis Capital Management GP, LLP.
- 5. At a meeting held on October 29, 2019, the Committee, among other things, voted to retain Sidley as its counsel, subject to this Court's approval. The Committee seeks to retain Sidley effective as of October 29, 2019, as Sidley began providing legal services to the Committee as of such date and has been actively advising the Committee since that date.
- 6. On November 1, 2019, the Committee filed its *Motion of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for an Order Transferring Venue of this Case to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas* (the "Venue Motion"). At the hearing held on December 2, 2019 (the "Venue Hearing"), the Transferor Court granted the Venue Motion and the case was transferred to this Court.

RELIEF REQUESTED

7. By this Application, the Committee seeks entry of the Proposed Order authorizing the retention and employment of Sidley as its counsel in this Chapter 11 Case effective as of October 29, 2019. The Committee requests that the Court approve the Committee's retention of Sidley in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Guzina Declaration.

SIDLEY'S QUALIFICATIONS

8. Sidley is a full-service law firm with a national and international presence. Sidley has more than 2,000 lawyers in twenty offices in the United States, Europe, Asia and Australia. Sidley has expertise in nearly every major substantive area of legal practice, and its clients include leading public companies and privately held businesses in a variety of industries. Sidley's

restructuring practice is comprised of approximately fifty attorneys, plus attorneys in numerous other principal areas of practice who work on restructuring matters on a regular basis.

9. The Committee has selected Sidley to represent the Committee in this Chapter 11 Case. The Committee selected Sidley primarily because of Sidley's extensive experience in the fields of restructuring, bankruptcy and creditors' rights and, in particular, its experience representing official and ad hoc creditor committees in a number of large and complex chapter 11 reorganization cases, including In re Jack Cooper Industries, Case No. 19-62393 (PWB) (Bankr. N.D. Ga. 2019); In re Republic Airways, Inc., Case No. 16-10426 (SHL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2016); In re CHC Helicopter, Inc., Case No. 16-31854 (BJH) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. 2016); In re Genco Shipping & Trading Limited, Case No. 14-11108 (SHL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2014); In re Powerwave Technologies, Inc., Case No. 13-10134 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. 2013); and In re Allied Systems Holdings, Inc., Case No. 12-11564 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del. 2012). In addition, Sidley is frequently retained to act as general restructuring counsel for debtors in complex chapter 11 cases, including in the following cases (among others): In re Legacy Reserves Inc., Case No. 19-33395 (MI) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. 2019); <u>In re Maremont Corp.</u>, Case No. 19-10118 (KJC) (Bankr. D. Del. 2019); In re Mattress Firm, Inc., Case No. 18-12241 (CSS); (Bankr. D. Del. 2018); In re RM Holdco LLC, Case No. 18-11795 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. 2018); In re HCR ManorCare, Inc., Case No. 18-10467 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. 2018); In re Key Energy Servs., Inc., Case No. 16-12306 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. 2016); In re UCI Int'l, LLC, Case No. 16-11354 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. 2016); In re LDK Solar Sys., Inc., Case No. 14-12384 (PJW) (Bankr. D. Del. 2014); In re Yarway Corp., Case No. 13-11025 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. 2013); In re Rodeo Creek Gold Inc., Case No. 13-50301 (MKN) (Bankr. D. Nev. 2013); and In re Lee Enters., Inc., Case No. 11-13918 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. 2011).

SCOPE OF SIDLEY'S PROPOSED SERVICES TO THE COMMITTEE

- 9. Sidley is expected to render such legal services as the Committee may request in order to discharge the Committee's responsibilities and further the interests of the Committee's constituents in this Chapter 11 Case. Specifically, the Committee expects that Sidley will assist, advise and represent the Committee with respect to the following matters, without limitation:
 - (a) The administration of these cases and the exercise of oversight with respect to the Debtor's affairs, including all issues relating to the Debtor, the Committee or this Chapter 11 Case;
 - (b) The preparation of pleadings on behalf of the Committee, including without limitation, statements, motions, applications, memoranda, adversary complaints, objections or comments in connection with any matter related to the Debtor or this Chapter 11 Case;
 - (c) The review and analysis of motions, applications, orders, statements, operating reports and schedules filed with the Court and providing advice to the Committee in connection therewith;
 - (d) Appearances in Court, participation in litigation as a party-in-interest, and participation at statutory meetings of creditors to represent the interests of the Committee;
 - (e) The investigation and analysis of any potential claims against the Debtor's non-debtor affiliates and other third parties;
 - (f) The negotiation, formulation, drafting and confirmation of any plan or plans of reorganization or liquidation and matters related thereto;
 - (g) The negotiation and evaluation of the use of cash collateral, any proposed debtor-in-possession financing, and any other potential financing alternatives;
 - (h) The evaluation of any proposed restructuring support agreement and any other potential restructuring alternatives;
 - (i) The analysis of any proposed employee compensation, incentive and retention payment plans, and evaluation of the propriety thereof;
 - (j) Investigation of, among other things, unencumbered assets, liabilities, financial condition of the Debtor, prior transactions, and operational issues concerning the Debtor that may be relevant to this Chapter 11 Case;

- (k) The evaluation, negotiation and formulation of any proposed sale of any of the Debtor's assets, including pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (l) Communications with the Committee's constituents in furtherance of its responsibilities including, but not limited to, communications required under section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code; and
- (m) The performance of all of the Committee's duties and powers under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules and the performance of such other services as requested by the Committee.
- October 29, 2019, and requested that Sidley immediately commence work on time-sensitive matters and promptly devote substantial resources to this Chapter 11 Case prior to the submission and approval of this Application. Since it was engaged by the Committee, Sidley, on behalf of the Committee, has been focused on, among other things: (a) conducting diligence on the Debtor's business operations; (b) reviewing the relief sought in the various "first day" and "second day" motions filed by the Debtor; (c) seeking information from the Debtor through both formal and informal discovery and information requests; (d) securing the transfer of this Case to this Court by drafting and arguing the Venue Motion; and (e) actively negotiating, and where necessary objecting to, the relief sought by the Debtor to date. Accordingly, the Committee requests approval of the Application as of the date that Sidley was retained by the Committee, October 29, 2019.

PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION

11. Sidley intends to apply to the Court for allowance of compensation earned for professional services and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with this Chapter 11 Case in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any applicable orders of the Court. Sidley will also make a reasonable effort to comply with the requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the *Guidelines* for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11

U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013 (the "<u>U.S. Trustee Guidelines</u>"), both in connection with this Application and any applications for compensation and reimbursement of expenses to be filed by Sidley in this Chapter 11 Case.

- 12. Sidley will charge for its legal services on an hourly basis at its ordinary and customary rates in effect on the date that such services are rendered and will seek the reimbursement of all costs and expenses incurred by Sidley in connection with its representation of the Committee. Sidley's billing rates for attorneys and paraprofessionals who may work on this matter currently range from \$520 to \$1,250 per hour for attorneys and \$435 for paraprofessionals. The following attorneys and paraprofessionals are presently expected to have primary responsibility for providing services to the Committee (hourly billing rates noted in parentheses): Penny Reid (\$1,250); Matthew A. Clemente (\$1,275); Bojan Guzina (\$1,275); Dennis M. Twomey (\$1,275); Paige Holden Montgomery (\$1,000); Charles Persons (\$975); Alyssa Russell (\$885); Elliot Bromagen (\$775); Justin F. Song (\$775); Juliana Hoffman (\$675); Chandler Rognes (\$540); Trevor Grayeb (\$570); and David J. Lutes (\$435). The Committee anticipates that additional Sidley attorneys and paraprofessionals will provide services to the Committee as necessary.²
- 13. Sidley's hourly billing rates are designed to fairly compensate Sidley for the work of its attorneys and paraprofessionals and to cover fixed and routine expenses. These hourly rates vary with the experience and seniority of each professional and are subject to periodic adjustments to reflect economic and other conditions,³ with the hourly rate charged being the hourly rate in

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³ For example, like many of its peer law firms, Sidley increases the hourly billing rate of attorneys and paraprofessionals annually in the form of (a) step increases historically awarded in the ordinary course on the basis of advancing seniority and promotion and (b) periodic increases within each attorney's and paraprofessional's current level of seniority. The step increases do not constitute "rate increases" (as that term is used in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines). As set forth in the Proposed Order, Sidley will provide ten business days' notice to the Debtors, the

effect on the date that the services are performed. In all appropriate circumstances, Sidley will employ the services of associates and paraprofessionals having lower hourly rates in order to minimize administrative expenses to the Debtor's estate. In addition, Sidley and the Committee have agreed to a ten percent (10%) reduction of Sidley's standard hourly billing rates for this engagement.

14. In addition to the hourly rates set forth above, Sidley customarily charges its clients for the variable costs and expenses incurred in connection with its services, including mail and express mail charges, special- and hand-delivery charges, photocopying charges, travel expenses, transcription costs, expenses for "working meals," computerized research costs, and charges and fees of outside vendors, consultants and service providers. Sidley does not charge its clients for incoming or outgoing facsimile transmissions.

SIDLEY'S DISINTERESTEDNESS

15. As described in the Guzina Declaration, in connection with its proposed retention by the Committee in this Chapter 11 Case, Sidley conducted a search of its electronic conflicts database with respect to the Debtor and a list of potential parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Potential Parties in Interest"). The Potential Parties in Interest and the results of the conflicts search are set forth on **Schedule 1** and **Schedule 2** to the Guzina Declaration, respectively. As disclosed in the Guzina Declaration, (a) Sidley is a "disinterested person" within the meaning of section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code and does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtor's estate and (b) has no connection to the Debtor, its creditors, or other parties in interest, except as may be disclosed in the Guzina Declaration.

Office of the United States Trustee for the Northern District of Texas (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>"), and the Committee before implementing any periodic increases and shall file such notice with the Court.

16. Given the large number of parties in interest in this Chapter 11 Case and because the information on <u>Schedule 1</u> may change during the pendency of this Chapter 11 Case, Sidley is not able conclusively to identify all relationships or potential relationships with all creditors or other parties in interest in this Chapter 11 Case. If any new relevant facts or relationships are discovered or arise, Sidley will use reasonable efforts to identify such further developments and will promptly file a supplemental declaration, as required by Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a).

BASIS FOR RELIEF

- 17. The Committee seeks to retain Sidley as its counsel in accordance with sections 328(a) and 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code. Section 328(a) authorizes a committee appointed under section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code, with the court's approval, to employ a "professional person under section 327 or 1103 of this title, as the case may be, on any reasonable terms and conditions of employment, including on a retainer, on an hourly basis, on a fixed or percentage fee basis, or on a contingent fee basis." 11 U.S.C. § 328(a). Section 1103, in turn, requires that an attorney employed to represent a committee "may not, while employed by such committee, represent any other entity having an adverse interest in connection with the case." 11 U.S.C. § 1103.
- 18. The Committee submits that for all of the reasons stated above and in the Guzina Declaration, the retention and employment of Sidley as counsel to the Committee should be approved under sections 328(a) and 1103. Further, as described in the Guzina Declaration, Sidley does not represent any entity in connection with this Chapter 11 Case other than the Committee, is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, and does not represent or hold any interest adverse to the Debtor's estates.

NOTICE

19. Sidley has provided notice of this Application to: (i) the Debtor, (ii) the U.S. Trustee, and (iii) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Local Rule 2002-1 as of the date

of this Application. A copy of this Application is also available on the website of the Debtor's notice and claims agent at https://www.kccllc.net/hcmlp/. In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, the Committee respectfully submit that no further notice is required.

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WHEREFORE the Committee respectfully requests that the Court enter the Proposed Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, granting the relief requested herein and granting such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: December 6, 2019 Chicago, Illinois

THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS OF HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

By: Redeemer Committee of the Highland Crusader Fund, in its capacity as Chairperson of the Committee

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Name: Eric A. Felton

EXHIBIT A

Proposed Order

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

In re:	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1	Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ)
Debtor.	

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS NUNC PRO TUNC TO OCTOBER 29, 2019

Upon the application (the "<u>Application</u>")² of the Committee in the above-captioned Chapter 11 Case for entry of an order, pursuant to sections 328 and 1103 of Title 11 of the

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Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2014 and Local Rule 2014-1, authorizing the Committee to retain and employ Sidley as counsel for the Committee *nunc pro tunc* to October 29, 2019; and the Court being satisfied, based on the representations made in the Application and the Guzina Declaration, that Sidley is a "disinterested person" as defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code and is qualified to represent the Committee; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and appropriate notice of and the opportunity for a hearing on the Application having been given; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application is GRANTED as set forth herein.
- 2. The Committee is authorized to retain and employ Sidley as its attorneys, *nunc pro tunc* to October 29, 2019, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Application.
- 3. Sidley shall apply for compensation earned for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with the Chapter 11 Case in compliance with sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules and any other applicable procedures and orders of the Court. Sidley shall also make a reasonable effort to comply with the requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, both in connection with the Application and all applications for compensation and reimbursement of expenses that may be filed by Sidley.
- 4. The Committee and Sidley are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement the relief granted in this Order.

- 5. Sidley shall provide ten (10) days' notice to the Debtor and the U.S. Trustee prior to the implementation of any increases in the hourly billing rates as set forth in the Application, and such notice must be filed with the Court.
- 6. The terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 7. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and/or enforcement of this Order.

End of Order

EXHIBIT B

Guzina Declaration

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

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HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1

Debtor.

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DECLARATION OF BOJAN GUZINA IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 328 AND 1103 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND FEDERAL RULE OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE 2014, FOR AN ORDER APPROVING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

BOJAN GUZINA makes this declaration under 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and states the following:

- 1. I am an attorney at law and in good standing to practice in the State of Illinois and before the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.
- 2. I am a partner of the law firm of Sidley Austin LLP ("Sidley"), located at One South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60603.
- 3. I submit this declaration (the "<u>Declaration</u>") in support of the application (the "<u>Application</u>")² of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "<u>Committee</u>") in the Chapter 11 Case of the above-captioned Debtor for entry of an order authorizing the retention and employment of Sidley as counsel to the Committee, *nunc pro tunc* to October 29, 2019.
- 4. Unless otherwise stated in this Declaration, I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein.

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The performance of all of the Committee's duties and powers under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules and the performance of such other services as requested by the Committee

6. As noted above, the Committee selected Sidley as its proposed lead counsel on October 29, 2019, and requested that Sidley immediately commence work on time-sensitive matters and promptly devote substantial resources to this Chapter 11 Case prior to the submission and approval of this Application. Since it was engaged by the Committee, Sidley, on behalf of the Committee, has been focused on, among other things: (a) conducting diligence on the Debtor's business operations; (b) reviewing the relief sought in the various "first day" and "second day" motions filed by the Debtor; (c) seeking information from the Debtor through both formal and informal discovery and information requests; and (d) actively negotiating, and where necessary objecting to, the relief sought by the Debtor to date. Accordingly, the Committee requests approval of the Application as of the date that Sidley was retained by the Committee, October 29, 2019.

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AFFIRMATIVE STATEMENT OF DISINTERESTEDNESS

as described in detail on Schedule 2, it appears that Sidley (a) does not hold or represent an interest that is adverse to the Committee, the Debtor or the Debtor's estate, (b) is a "disinterested person" within the meaning of section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, and (c) does not hold or represent any interest adverse to and has no connection with the Committee, the Debtor, their creditors, the U.S. Trustee for Region 6 or any party-in-interest in this Chapter 11 Case, subject to the disclosures set forth in this Declaration, including Schedule 2. Also, Sidley does not and will not in the future represent any entities other than the Committee in matters directly related to this Chapter 11 Case.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: December 6, 2019

/s/ Bojan Guzina

Bojan Guzina Partner

Sidley Austin LLP

Schedule 1

Potential Parties in Interest

Debtor

Highland Capital Management L.P.

Professionals

Bradley Sharp

Development Specialists, Inc.

Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC

Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP

Jenner & Block

Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnel LLP

Morrison Cohen LLP

Latham & Watkins LLP

Richards Layton & Finger

Winstead PC

Rogge Dunn Group, PC

Blank Rome LLP

FTI Consulting

Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor

Reid Collins Tsai

Deloitte

Price Waterhouse Coopers

Maples (Cayman)

Bell Nunnally

Rowlett Hill Collins LLP

Anderson Mori & Tomotsune

Culhane Meadows PLLC

Kim & Chang

Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

Wilmer Hale

Carey Olsen

ASW Law

Eric Felton

Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP

Morrison Cohen LLP

Latham & Watkins LLP

Richards Layton & Finger

Winstead PC

Rogge Dunn Group, PC

Blank Rome LLP

Top 20 Unsecured Creditors

Acis Capital Management GP, LLC

Acis Capital Management, LP

American Arbitration Association

Andrews Kurth LLP

Bates White, LLC

Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP

CLO Holdco, Ltd

Connolly Gallagher LLP

Debevoise & Plimpton LLP

DLA Piper US LLP

Duff & Phelps, LLC

Foley Gardere

Joshua & Jennifer Terry

Lackey Hershman LLP

McKool Smith, PC

Meta-e Discovery LLC

NWCC, LLC

Patrick Daugherty

Redeemer Committee of the Highland

Crusader Fund

Reid Collins & Tsai LLP

UBS AG, London Branch

UBS Securities LLC

Equity Security Holders

Atlas IDF GP LLC

Beacon Mountain LLC

Crown Global Insurance Company

Hunter Mountain Investment Trust

James Dondero

John Honia

Mark K. Okada

Rand PE Fund Management LLC

Strand Advisors, Inc.

The Dugaboy Investment Trust

The Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust

Affiliated Parties

Acis CLO Management GP, LLC

Acis Management Holdings, LP

Acis CLO Management Intermediate

Holdings I, LLC

Acis CLO Management Intermediate

Holdings II, LLC

Acis CLO Management, LLC

Acis SMOA Trust

Advisory Equity Group LLC

Argentina Funds

Asbury Holdings, LLC

Castle Bio Manager, LLC

De Kooning, Ltd

Eagle Equity Advisors, LLC

Eames, Ltd

Falcon E&P Opportunities Fund GP LLC

Governance Ltd Governance RE Ltd Gunwale LLC HCF Funds

HCMS Falcon GP LLC HCRE Partners, LLC HCREF-I Holding Corp. HCREF-XI Holding Corp. HCREF-XII Holding Corp. HE Capital Fox Trails, LLC

HE Capital, LLC

HE Mezz Fox Trails, LLC HE Peoria Place Property, LLC

HE Peoria Place, LLC

HFP CDO Construction Corp.

HFP GP, LLC

Highland Argentina Regional Opportunity

Fund GP, LLC

Highland Brasil, LLC

Highland Capital Insurance Solutions, GP,

LLC

Highland Capital Management (Singapore)

Pte Ltd

Highland Capital Management Korea

Limited

Highland Capital Management Services Inc. Highland Capital Multi-Strategy Fund, LP

Highland Capital of New York

Highland Capital Special Allocation, LLC

Highland CDO Holding Company

Highland CDO Opportunity Fund GP, LP Highland CDO Opportunity GP, LLC Highland CLO Assets Holdings Limited

Highland CLO Holdings Ltd Highland CLO Management, Ltd

Highland Crusader Fund

Highland Dynamic Income Fund GP, LLC Highland Employee Retention Assets LLC

Highland ERA Management, LLC

Highland Financial Corp.

Highland Financial Partners, LP Highland Fund Holdings, LLC Highland HCF Advisor Ltd

Highland Latin America Consulting, Ltd

Highland Latin America GP, Ltd Highland Latin America LP, Ltd Highland Latin America Trust

Highland Multi Strategy Credit Fund GP,

LP

Highland Multi Strategy Credit Fund, LP Highland Multi Strategy Credit GP, LLC Highland Multi-Strategy Fund GP, LLC Highland Multi-Strategy Fund GP, LP Highland Multi-Strategy Master Fund, LP Highland Multi-Strategy Onshore Master

SubFund II, LLC

Highland Multi-Strategy Onshore Master

SubFund, LLC

Highland Receivables Finance I, LLC Highland Restoration Capital Partners GP,

LLC

Highland Select Equity GP, LLC

Highland Select Equity Master Fund, LP Highland Special Opportunities Holding

Company

Highland SunBridge GP, LLC

Hirst, Ltd Hockner, Ltd Lautner, Ltd

Maple Avenue Holdings, LLC

Neutra, Ltd

NexAnnuity Holdings Inc. NexBank Capital Inc. NexBank Securities Inc.

NexBank SSB

NexBank Wealth Advisors NexPoint Advisors GP LLC

NexPoint Capital Inc. NexPoint Funds

NexPoint Insurance Distributors, LLC NexPoint Insurance Solutions GP, LLC

NexPoint Insurance Solutions, LP

NexPoint Real Estate Advisors GP, LLC

NexPoint Securities Inc. NHT Holdco, LLC

NREA SE MF Holdings, LLC NREA SE MF Investment Co. LLC

NREA SE Multifamily, LLC

- NREA SE1 Andros Isles Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE1 Andros Isles Manager, LLC
- NREA SE1 Arborwalk Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE1 Arborwalk Manager, LLC
- NREA Se1 Towne Crossing Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE1 Towne Crossing Manager, LLC
- NREA SE1 Walker Ranch Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE1 Walker Ranch Manager, LLC
- NREA SE2 Hidden Lake Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE2 Hidden Lake Manager, LLC
- NREA SE2 Vista Ridge Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE2 Vista Ridge Manager, LLC
- NREA SE2 West Place Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE2 West Place Manager, LLC
- NREA SE 3 Arboleda Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE3 Arboleda Manager, LLC
- NREA SE3 Fairways Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE3 Fairways Manager, LLC
- NREA SE3 Grand Oasis Leaseco, LLC
- NREA SE3 Grand Oasis Manager, LLC
- NREA Southeast Portfolio One Manager,

LLC

NREA Southeast Portfolio Three Manager,

LLC

NREA Southeast Portfolio Two Manager,

LLC

- Oldenburg, Ltd
- Penant Management LP
- Pershing LLC
- PetroCap Inventive Partners III, LP
- Pollack, Ltd
- SE Battleground Park, LLC
- SE Glenview, LLC
- SE Governors Green II, LLC
- SE Gulfstream Isles GP, LLC
- SE Gulfstream Isles LP, LLC
- SE Heights at Olde Towne, LLC
- SE Lakes at Renaissance Park GP I, LLC
- SE Lakes at Renaissance Park GP II, LLC
- SE Lakes at Renaissance Park LP, LLC
- SE Multifamily Holdings LLC
- SE Multifamily REIT Holdings LLC
- SE Myrtles at Olde Towne, LLC
- SE Quail Landing, LLC
- SE River Walk, LLC
- SE SM, Inc.

- SE Stoney Ridge II, LLC
- SE Victoria Park, LLC
- SH Castle BioSciences, LLC
- Spiritus Life Inc.
- Starck, Ltd.
- Stonebridge PEF
- Strand Advisors XVL Inc.
- The Dondero Insurance Rabbi Trust
- The Ohio State Life Insurance Company
- The Okada Insurance Rabbi Trust
- Thread 55 LLC
- Tihany, Ltd
- **Tricor Business Outsourcing**
- US Gaming SPV, LLC
- US Gaming, LLC
- Warhol, Ltd
- Wright, Ltd

Other Parties

- 11 Estates Lane, LLC
- 1110 Waters, LLC
- 140 Albany, LLC
- 1525 Dragon, LLC
- 17720 Dickerson, LLC
- 1905 Wylie LLC
- 2006 Milam East Partners GP, LLC
- 2006 Milam East Partners, L.P.
- 201 Tarrant Partners, LLC
- 2014 Corpus Weber Road LLC
- 2325 Stemmons HoldCo, LLC
- 2325 Stemmons Hotel Partners, LLC
- 2325 Stemmons TRS, Inc.
- 300 Lamar, LLC
- 3409 Rosedale, LLC
- 3801 Maplewood, LLC
- 3801 Shenandoah, L.P.
- 3820 Goar Park LLC
- 400 Seaman, LLC
- 401 Ame, L.P.
- 401 Ame, L.1.
- 4201 Locust, L.P.
- 4312 Belclaire, LLC
- 5833 Woodland, L.P.
- 5906 DeLoache, LLC
- 5950 DeLoache, LLC
- 7758 Ronnie, LLC
- 7759 Ronnie, LLC
- AA Shotguns, LLC
- Aberdeen Loan Funding, Ltd.
- Acis CLO 2017-7 Ltd

Acis CLO Trust Allenby, LLC

Allisonville RE Holdings, LLC AM Uptown Hotel, LLC

Apex Care, L.P Ascendant Advisors

Asury Holdings, LLC (fka HCSLR Camelback

Investors (Delaware), LLC)

Atlas IDF LP Atlas IDF, LP Baylor University

BB Votorantim Highland Infrastructure, LLC

BDC Toys Holdco, LLC BH Willowdale Manager, LLC Big Spring Partners, LLC Bloomdale, LLC

Brentwood CLO, Ltd. Brentwood Investors Corp. Bristol Bay Funding Ltd.

C-1 Arbors, Inc.
C-1 Cutter's Point, Inc.
C-1 Eaglecrest, Inc.
C-1 Silverbrook, Inc.
Cabi Holdco GP, LLC
Cabi Holdco I, Ltd.
Cabi Holdco, L.P.

Camelback Residential Investors, LLC (fka

Sevilla Residential Partners, LLC) Camelback Residential Partners, LLC Capital Real Estate - Latitude, LLC

Castle Bio, LLC

CG Works, Inc. (fka Common Grace Ventures,

Inc.)

Claymore Holdings, LLC Concord Management, LLC

Corbusier, Ltd.

CP Equity Hotel Owner, LLC CP Equity Land Owner, LLC CP Equity Owner, LLC CP Hotel TRS, LLC CP Land Owner, LLC CP Tower Owner, LLC Crossings 2017 LLC

Crown Global Insurance Company Dallas Cityplace MF SPE Owner LLC

Dallas Lease and Finance, L.P. DFA/BH Autumn Ridge, LLC

Dolomiti, LLC DrugCrafters, L.P.

Dugaboy Management, LLC

Dugaboy Project Management GP, LLC

Dustin Norris
Eastland CLO, Ltd.
Eastland Investors Corp.
EDS Legacy Heliport, LLC
EDS Legacy Partners Owner, LLC

EDS Legacy Partners, LLC Entegra Strat Superholdco, LLC Entegra-FRO Holdco, LLC Entegra-FRO Superholdco, LLC Entegra-HOCF Holdco, LLC Entegra-NHF Holdco, LLC Entegra-NHF Superholdco, LLC Entegra-RCP Holdco, LLC

Estates on Maryland Holdco, LLC Estates on Maryland Owners SM, Inc. Estates on Maryland Owners, LLC

Estates on Maryland, LLC

Falcon E&P Four Holdings, LLC

Falcon E&P One, LLC

Falcon E&P Opportunities Fund GP LLC Falcon E&P Opportunities Fund, L.P. Falcon E&P Opportunities GP, LLC Falcon E&P Royalty Holdings, LLC

Falcon E&P Six, LLC
Falcon E&P Two, LLC
Falcon Four Midstream, LLC
Falcon Four Upstream, LLC
Falcon Incentive Partners GP, LLC
Falcon Incentive Partners, LP
Falcon Six Midstream, LLC
Fix Asset Management

Flamingo Vegas Holdco, LLC (fka Cabi Holdco,

LLC)

Four Rivers Co-Invest, L.P.

Frank Waterhouse

FRBH Abbington SM, Inc. FRBH Abbington, LLC FRBH Arbors, LLC FRBH Beechwood SM, Inc. FRBH Beechwood, LLC FRBH C1 Residential, LLC FRBH Courtney Cove SM, Inc.

FRBH Courtney Cove, LLC FRBH CP, LLC

FRBH Duck Creek, LLC FRBH Eaglecrest, LLC FRBH Edgewater JV, LLC FRBH Edgewater Owner, LLC FRBH Edgewater SM, Inc. FRBH JAX-TPA, LLC

FRBH Nashville Residential, LLC

FRBH Regatta Bay, LLC
FRBH Sabal Park SM, Inc.
FRBH Sabal Park, LLC
FRBH Silverbrook, LLC
FRBH Timberglen, LLC
FRBH Willow Grove SM, Inc.
FRBH Willow Grove, LLC
FRBH Woodbridge SM, Inc.
FRBH Woodbridge, LLC
Freedom C1 Residential, LLC
Freedom Duck Creek, LLC
Freedom Edgewater, LLC

Freedom JAX-TPA Residential, LLC

Freedom La Mirage, LLC Freedom LHV LLC Freedom Lubbock LLC

Freedom Miramar Apartments, LLC

Freedom Sandstone, LLC Freedom Willowdale, LLC FRM Investment Management

Fundo de Investimento em Direitos Creditorios BB Votorantim Highland Infraestrutura

G&E Apartment REIT The Heights at Olde

Towne, LLC

G&E Apartment REIT The Myrtles at Olde

Towne, LLC GAF REIT, LLC GAF Toys Holdco, LLC Gardens of Denton II, L.P. Gardens of Denton III, L.P. Gleneagles CLO, Ltd. Governance Ltd.

Governance Re, Ltd. Governance, Ltd. Grayson CLO, Ltd. Grayson Investors Corp. Greenbriar CLO, Ltd.

Grosvenor Capital Management, L.P.

Hakusan, LLC

Hammark Holdings LLC Hampton Ridge Partners, LLC

Harko, LLC

Haverhill Acquisition Co., LLC

Haygood, LLC

HCBH 11611 Ferguson, LLC HCBH Buffalo Pointe II, LLC HCBH Buffalo Pointe III, LLC HCBH Buffalo Pointe, LLC HCBH Hampton Woods SM, Inc. HCBH Hampton Woods, LLC

HCBH Overlook SM, Inc.

HCBH Overlook, LLC HCBH Rent Investors, LLC

HCF Funds

HCMS Falcon GP, LLC HCMS Falcon, L.P. HCO Holdings, LLC

HCOF Preferred Holdings, LP HCOF Preferred Holdings, Ltd. HCRE 1775 James Ave, LLC HCRE Addison TRS, LLC

HCRE Addison, LLC (fka HWS Addison, LLC) HCRE Hotel Partner, LLC (fka HCRE HWS

Partner, LLC)

HCRE Las Colinas TRS, LLC

HCRE Las Colinas, LLC (fka HWS Las

Colinas, LLC) HCRE Partners, LLC HCRE Plano TRS, LLC

HCRE Plano, LLC (fka HWS Plano, LLC)

HCREF-II Holding Corp.
HCREF-IV Holding Corp.
HCREF-IV Holding Corp.
HCREF-IX Holding Corp.
HCREF-V Holding Corp.
HCREF-VI Holding Corp.
HCREF-VII Holding Corp.
HCREF-VIII Holding Corp.
HCREF-XIII Holding Corp.
HCREF-XIV Holding Corp.

HCSLR Camelback Investors (Cayman), Ltd.

HCSLR Camelback, LLC

HCREF-XV Holding Corp.

HE 41, LLC

HE Capital 232 Phase I Property, LLC

HE Capital 232 Phase I, LLC HE Capital Asante, LLC HE Capital KR, LLC HE CLO Holdco, LLC HE Mezz KR, LLC

Heron Pointe Investors, LLC HFP Asset Funding II, Ltd. HFP Asset Funding III, Ltd.

HFRO Sub, LLC Hibiscus HoldCo, LLC

Highland - First Foundation Income Fund

Highland 401(k) Plan

Highland Argentina Regional Opportunity Fund,

I.P

Highland Argentina Regional Opportunity Fund,

Ltd.

Highland Argentina Regional Opportunity Master Fund, L.P.

Highland Capital Brasil Gestora de Recursos (fka Highland Brasilinvest Gestora de Recursos, LTDA; fka HBI Consultoria Empresarial, LTDA)

Highland Capital Insurance Solutions GP LLC Highland Capital Insurance Solutions LP Highland Capital Management AG (Highland Capital Management SA) (Highland Capital Management Ltd)

Highland Capital Management Fund Advisors, L.P. (fka Pyxis Capital, L.P.)

Highland Capital Management Latin America, L.P.

Highland Capital Management Latin America, L.P. (Relying Advisor)

Highland Capital Management Multi-Strategy Insurance Dedicated Fund, L.P.

Highland Capital Management Services, Inc.

Highland Capital Management, L.P.

Highland Capital Management, L.P. Charitable Fund

Highland Capital Management, L.P. Retirement Plan and Trust

Highland Capital of New York

Highland Capital of New York, Inc.

Highland Capital Real Estate Fund GP, LLC Highland Capital Special Allocation, LLC

Highland CDO Opportunity Fund, L.P. Highland CDO Opportunity Fund, Ltd.

Highland CDO Opportunity Master Fund, L.P.

Highland CDO Trust

Highland CLO 2018-1, Ltd.

Highland CLO Assets Holdings Limited Highland CLO Funding, Ltd. (fka Acis Loan Funding, Ltd.)

Highland CLO Gaming Holdings, LLC Highland CLO Management Ltd.

Highland CLO Trust

Highland Credit Opportunities CDO Asset

Holdings GP, Ltd.

Highland Credit Opportunities CDO Asset

Holdings, L.P.

Highland Credit Opportunities CDO Financing, LLC

Highland Credit Opportunities CDO, Ltd. Highland Credit Opportunities Holding Corporation

Highland Credit Opportunities Japanese Feeder Sub-Trust

Highland Credit Strategies Fund, L.P. Highland Credit Strategies Fund, Ltd.

Highland Credit Strategies Holding Corporation Highland Credit Strategies Master Fund, L.P.

Highland Crusader Fund

Highland Dynamic Income Fund, L.P. (fka

Highland Capital Loan Fund, L.P.)

Highland Dynamic Income Fund, Ltd. (fka

Highland Loan Fund, Ltd.)

Highland Dynamic Income Master Fund, L.P.

(fka Highland Loan Master Fund, L.P.)

Highland Energy Holdings, LLC

Highland Energy MLP Fund (fka Highland

Energy and Materials Fund)

Highland eSports Private Equity Fund

Highland Fixed Income Fund

Highland Flexible Income UCITS Fund

Highland Floating Rate Fund

Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund (fka Highland Floating Rate Opportunities Fund II)

Highland Fund Holdings, LLC

Highland Funds I Highland Funds II Highland Funds III

Highland GAF Chemical Holdings, LLC

Highland General Partner, LP

Highland Global Allocation Fund (fka Highland

Global Allocation Fund II) Highland GP Holdings, LLC

Highland Healthcare Equity Income and Growth

Fund

Highland iBoxx Senior Loan ETF

Highland Income Fund (fka Highland Floating

Rate Opportunities Fund) Highland Legacy Limited

Highland LF Chemical Holdings, LLC

Highland Loan Funding V, Ltd.
Highland Long/Short Equity Fund
Highland Long/Short Healthcare Fund

Highland Marcal Holding, Inc. Highland Merger Arbitrage Fund

Highland Multi Strategy Credit Fund, Ltd. (fka Highland Credit Opportunities Fund, Ltd.) Highland Multi Strategy Credit Fund, Ltd. (fka Highland Credit Opportunities Fund, Ltd.) Highland Multi-Strategy Fund GP, LLC

Highland Multi-Strategy Fund GP, LLC Highland Multi-Strategy Fund GP, LP Highland Multi-Strategy IDF GP, LLC Highland Opportunistic Credit Fund

Highland Park CDO 1, Ltd.

Highland Premium Energy & Materials Fund

Highland Prometheus Feeder Fund I, L.P. Highland Prometheus Feeder Fund II, L.P. Highland Prometheus Master Fund, L.P.

Highland RCP Fund II, L.P. Highland RCP II GP, LLC Highland RCP II SLP GP, LLC Highland RCP II SLP, L.P.

Highland RCP Parallel Fund II, L.P.

Highland Restoration Capital Partners Master,

Highland Restoration Capital Partners Offshore, L.P.

Highland Restoration Capital Partners, L.P. Highland Select Equity Fund GP, L.P. Highland Select Equity Fund, L.P. Highland Small-Cap Equity Fund

Highland Socially Responsible Equity Fund (fka

Highland Premier Growth Equity Fund)

Highland Tax-Exempt Fund

Highland TCI Holding Company, LLC

Highland Total Return Fund

Highland's Roads Land Holding Company, LLC

HMCF PB Investors, LLC HRT North Atlanta, LLC HRT Timber Creek, LLC HRTBH North Atlanta, LLC HRTBH Timber Creek, LLC

Huber Funding LLC

HWS Investors Holdco, LLC

James Dondero Jasper CLO, Ltd.

Jewelry Ventures I, LLC

JMIJM, LLC John Honis Karisopolis, LLC Keelhaul LLC

Kuilima Montalban Holdings, LLC Kuilima Resort Holdco, LLC KV Cameron Creek Owner, LLC Lakes at Renaissance Park Apartments

Investors, L.P. Lakeside Lane, LLC

Landmark Battleground Park II, LLC

LAT Battleground Park, LLC LAT Briley Parkway, LLC

Lauren Thedford

Leawood RE Holdings, LLC Liberty Cayman Holdings, Ltd.

Liberty CLO, Ltd.

Long Short Equity Sub, LLC Longhorn Credit Funding, LLC Lurin Real Estate Holdings V, LLC

Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust - Exempt

Descendants' Trust

Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust - Exempt

Trust #2 Mark Okada

Markham Fine Jewelers, L.P. Meritage Residential Partners, LLC ML CLO XIX Sterling (Cayman), Ltd. NCI Assets Holding Company LLC

New Jersey Tissue Company Holdco, LLC (fka Marcal Paper Mills Holding Company, LLC)

NexAnnuity Holdings, Inc. NexBank Capital Inc. NexBank Capital Trust I NexBank Capital, Inc. NexBank Land Advisors, Inc. NexBank Securities, Inc.

NexBank Title, Inc. (dba NexVantage Title

Services)

NexBank SSB

NexBank Wealth Advisors NexPoint Advisors GP, LLC NexPoint Advisors, L.P. NexPoint Capital Inc. NexPoint Capital REIT, LLC

NexPoint Capital, Inc. (fka NexPoint Capital,

NexPoint CR F/H DST, LLC

NexPoint Discount Strategies Fund (fka

NexPoint Discount Yield Fund)

NexPoint Energy and Materials Opportunities Fund (fka NexPoint Energy Opportunities Fund) NexPoint Event-Driven Fund (fkaNexPoint

Merger Arbitrage Fund) NexPoint Flamingo DST

NexPoint Flamingo Investment Co, LLC NexPoint Flamingo Leaseco, LLC NexPoint Flamingo Manager, LlC

NexPoint Funds

NexPoint Healthcare Opportunities Fund

NexPoint Hospitality Trust NexPoint Hospitality, Inc. NexPoint Hospitality, LLC

NexPoint Latin American Opportunities Fund

NexPoint Legacy 22, LLC

NexPoint Lincoln Porte Equity, LLC NexPoint Lincoln Porte Manager, LLC NexPoint Lincoln Porte, LLC (fka NREA

Lincoln Porte, LLC)

NexPoint Multifamily Capital Trust, Inc. (fka NexPoint Multifamily Realty Trust, Inc., fka Highland Capital Realty Trust, Inc.)

NexPoint Multifamily Operating Partnership,

NexPoint Peoria, LLC

NexPoint RE Finance Advisor GP, LLC
NexPoint RE Finance Advisor, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors GP, LLC
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors II, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors III, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors IV, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors V, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors VI, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors VII GP, LLC
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors VIII, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors VIII, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors VIII, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Advisors, L.P.
NexPoint Real Estate Capital, LLC (fka
Highland Real Estate Capital, LLC, fka

Partnership, L.P.

NexPoint Real Estate Finance, Inc.

NexPoint Real Estate Opportunities, LLC (fka

NexPoint Real Estate Finance OP GP, LLC

NexPoint Real Estate Finance Operating

Freedom REIT LLC)

NexPoint Real Estate Partners, LLC (fka HCRE

Partners, LLC)

NexPoint Real Estate Strategies Fund NexPoint Residential Trust Inc. NexPoint Residential Trust Operating

Partnership GP, LLC

NexPoint Residential Trust Operating

Partnership, L.P.

NexPoint Securities, Inc. (fka Highland Capital Funds Distributor, Inc.) (fka Pyxis Distributors, Inc.)

NexPoint Strategic Income Fund (fka NexPoint Opportunistic Credit Fund, fka NexPoint

Distressed Strategies Fund)

NexPoint Strategic Opportunities Fund (fka

NexPoint Credit Strategies Fund)

NexPoint Texas Multifamily Portfolio DST (fka

NREA Southeast Portfolio Two, DST) NexPoint WLIF I Borrower, LLC NexPoint WLIF II Borrower, LLC NexPoint WLIF III Borrower, LLC

NexStrat LLC NexVest, LLC NexWash LLC NFRO REIT Sub, LLC NFRO TRS, LLC NHF CCD, Inc.

NHT 2325 Stemmons, LLC

NHT Beaverton TRS, LLC (fka NREA Hotel

TRS, Inc.)

NHT Beaverton, LLC NHT Bend TRS, LLC NHT Bend, LLC NHT Destin TRS, LLC NHT Destin, LLC

NHT DFW Portfolio, LLC NHT Holdings, LLC NHT Intermediary, LLC NHT Nashville TRS, LLC NHT Nashville, LLC NHT Olympia TRS, LLC NHT Olympia, LLC

NHT Operating Partnership GP, LLC NHT Operating Partnership II, LLC NHT Operating Partnership, LLC

NHT Salem, LLC NHT SP Parent, LLC NHT SP TRS, LLC NHT SP, LLC

NHT Tigard TRS, LLC NHT Tigard, LLC NHT TRS, Inc. NHT Uptown, LLC NHT Vancouver TRS, LLC NHT Vancouver, LLC NMRT TRS, Inc.

NREA Adair DST Manager, LLC NREA Adair Investment Co, LLC NREA Adair Joint Venture, LLC NREA Adair Leaseco Manager, LLC

NREA Adair Leaseco, LLC

NREA Adair Property Manager LLC

NREA Adair, DST

NREA Ashley Village Investors, LLC NREA Cameron Creek Investors, LLC NREA Cityplace Hue Investors, LLC NREA Crossings Investors, LLC

NREA Crossings Ridgewood Coinvestment, LLC (fka NREA Crossings Ridgewood

Investors, LLC)

NREA DST Holdings, LLC NREA El Camino Investors, LLC

NREA Estates Inc.

NREA Estates Investment Co, LLC NREA Estates Leaseco, LLC NREA Estates Manager, LLC

NREA Estates Property Manager, LLC

NREA Estates, DST

NREA Gardens DST Manager, LLC NREA Gardens Investment Co, LLC

NREA Gardens Leaseco Manager, LLC

NREA Gardens Leaseco, LLC

NREA Gardens Property Manager, LLC

NREA Gardens Springing LLC

NREA Gardens Springing Manager, LLC

NREA Gardens, DST

NREA Hidden Lake Investment Co, LLC

NREA Hue Investors, LLC NREA Keystone Investors, LLC

NREA Meritage Inc.

NREA Meritage Investment Co, LLC NREA Meritage Leaseco, LLC

NREA Meritage Manager, LLC

NREA Meritage Property Manager, LLC

NREA Meritage, DST NREA Oaks Investors, LLC

NREA Retreat Investment Co, LLC

NREA Retreat Leaseco, LLC NREA Retreat Manager, LLC

NREA Retreat Property Manager, LLC

NREA Retreat, DST

NREA SE One Property Manager, LLC NREA SE Three Property Manager, LLC NREA SE Two Property Manager, LLC

NREA SE1 Andros Isles, DST (Converted from

DK Gateway Andros, LLC)

NREA SE1 Arborwalk, DST (Converted from

MAR Arborwalk, LLC)

NREA SE1 Towne Crossing, DST (Converted from Apartment REIT Towne Crossing, LP)
NREA SE1 Walker Ranch, DST (Converted from SOE Walker Ranch, DST (Converted from SOE Walker Ranch, DST)

from SOF Walker Ranch Owner, L.P.)

NREA SE2 Hidden Lake, DST (Converted from

SOF Hidden Lake SA Owner, L.P.)

NREA SE2 Vista Ridge, DST (Converted from

MAR Vista Ridge, L.P.)

NREA SE2 West Place, DST (Converted from

Landmark at West Place, LLC)

NREA SE3 Arboleda, DST (Converted from G&E Apartment REIT Arboleda, LLC) NREA SE3 Fairways, DST (Converted from

MAR Fairways, LLC)

NREA SE3 Grand Oasis, DST (Converted from

Landmark at Grand Oasis, LP)

NREA Southeast Portfolio One, DST NREA Southeast Portfolio Three, DST NREA Southeast Portfolio Two, LLC

NREA SOV Investors, LLC NREA Uptown TRS, LLC

NREA VB I LLC NREA VB II LLC

NREA VB III LLC NREA VB IV LLC

NREA VB Pledgor I LLC

NREA VB Pledgor II LLC NREA VB Pledgor III LLC NREA VB Pledgor IV LLC NREA VB Pledgor V LLC

NREA VB Pledgor VI LLC NREA VB Pledgor VII LLC

NREA VB SM, Inc. NREA VB V LLC NREA VB VI LLC

NREA VB VII LLC

NREA Vista Ridge Investment Co, LLC

NREC AR Investors, LLC NREC Latitude Investors, LLC

NREC REIT Sub, Inc. NREC TRS, Inc.

NREC WW Investors, LLC NREF OP I Holdco, LLC NREF OP I SubHoldco, LLC

NREF OP I, L.P.

NREF OP II Holdco, LLC NREF OP II SubHoldco, LLC

NREF OP II, L.P.

NREF OP IV REIT Sub TRS, LLC NREF OP IV REIT Sub, LLC

NREF OP IV, L.P.

NREO NW Hospitality Mezz, LLC NREO NW Hospitality, LLC

NREO Perilune, LLC

NREO SAFStor Investors, LLC

NREO TRS, Inc.

NRESF REIT Sub, LLC NXRT Abbington, LLC NXRT Atera II, LLC NXRT Atera, LLC NXRT AZ2, LLC

NXRT Barrington Mill, LLC NXRT Bayberry, LLC NXRT Bella Solara, LLC NXRT Bella Vista, LLC NXRT Bloom, LLC

NXRT Brandywine GP I, LLC NXRT Brandywine GP II, LLC NXRT Brandywine LP, LLC NXRT Brentwood Owner, LLC NXRT Brentwood, LLC NXRT Cedar Pointe Tenant, LLC

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NXRT Heritage, LLC NXRT Hollister TRS LLC NXRT Hollister, LLC NXRT LAS 3, LLC NXRT Master Tenant, LLC

NXRT Nashville Residential, LLC (fka Freedom

Nashville Residential, LLC) NXRT North Dallas 3, LLC NXRT Old Farm, LLC NXRT Pembroke Owner, LLC NXRT Pembroke, LLC

NXRT Radbourne Lake, LLC NXRT Rockledge, LLC NXRT Sabal Palms, LLC

NXRT SM, Inc.

NXRT PHX 3, LLC

NXRT Steeplechase, LLC NXRT Stone Creek, LLC

NXRT Summers Landing GP, LLC NXRT Summers Landing LP, LLC

NXRT Torreyana, LLC NXRT Vanderbilt, LLC NXRT West Place, LLC NXRTBH AZ2, LLC

NXRTBH Barrington Mill Owner, LLC NXRTBH Barrington Mill SM, Inc. NXRTBH Barrington Mill, LLC NXRTBH Bayberry, LLC NXRTBH Cityview, LLC

NXRTBH Colonnade, LLC NXRTBH Cornerstone Owner, LLC NXRTBH Cornerstone SM, Inc. NXRTBH Cornerstone, LLC NXRTBH Dana Point SM, Inc. NXRTBH Dana Point, LLC NXRTBH Foothill SM, Inc.

NXRTBH Foothill, LLC NXRTBH Heatherstone SM, Inc. NXRTBH Heatherstone, LLC

NXRTBH Hollister Tenant, LLC NXRTBH Hollister, LLC NXRTBH Madera SM, Inc. NXRTBH Madera, LLC NXRTBH McMillan, LLC NXRTBH North Dallas 3, LLC NXRTBH Old Farm II, LLC

NXRTBH Old Farm Tenant, LLC NXRTBH Old Farm, LLC NXRTBH Radbourne Lake, LLC NXRTBH Rockledge, LLC NXRTBH Sabal Palms, LLC

NXRTBH Steeplechase, LLC (dba Southpoint

Reserve at Stoney Creek)-VA NXRTBH Stone Creek, LLC NXRTBH Vanderbilt, LLC NXRTBH Versailles SM, Inc. NXRTBH Versailles, LLC

Oak Holdco, LLC Oaks CGC, LLC

Okada Family Revocable Trust Pam Capital Funding GP Co. Ltd. Pam Capital Funding, L.P.

PamCo Cayman Ltd.

Park West 1700 Valley View Holdco, LLC Park West 2021 Valley View Holdco, LLC

Park West Holdco, LLC

Park West Portfolio Holdco, LLC PCMG Trading Partners XXIII, L.P.

PDK Toys Holdco, LLC Pear Ridge Partners, LLC Penant Management GP, LLC

PensionDanmark

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Perilune Aero Equity Holdings One, LLC PetroCap Incentive Partners II, L.P.

PetroCap Partners II, L.P. PetroCap Partners III, L.P. Pharmacy Ventures I, LLC Pharmacy Ventures II, LLC

Powderhorn, LLC PWM1 Holdings, LLC

PWM1, LLC

RADCO NREC Bay Meadows Holdings, LLC RADCO NREC Bay Park Holdings, LLC

Ramarim, LLC

Rand Advisors Series I Insurance Fund Rand Advisors Series II Insurance Fund

Rand PE Fund I, L.P.

Rand PE Fund Management LLC

Red River CLO, Ltd. Red River Investors Corp. Riverview Partners SC, LLC Rockwall CDO II Ltd. Rockwall CDO, Ltd. Rockwall Investors Corp.

Rothko, Ltd.

RTT Hollister, LLC RTT Rockledge, LLC

Sandstone Pasadena Apartments, LLC

Scott Ellington

SE Governors Green Holdings, L.L.C. (fka SCG Atlas Governors Green Holdings, L.L.C.)

SE Governors Green I, LLC

SE Governors Green REIT, L.L.C. (fka SCG Atlas Governors Green REIT, L.L.C.) SE Governors Green, LLC (fka SCG Atlas

Governors Green, L.L.C.)

SE Oak Mill I Holdings, LLC (fka SCG Atlas

Oak Mill I Holdings, L.L.C.)

SE Oak Mill I Owner, LLC (fka SCG Atlas Oak

Mill I, L.L.C.) SE Oak Mill I REIT, LLC (fka SCG Atlas Oak

Mill I REIT, L.L.C.) SE Oak Mill I, LLC

SE Oak Mill II Holdings, LLC (fka SCG Atlas

Oak Mill II Holdings, L.L.C.)

SE Oak Mill II Owner, LLC (fka SCG Atlas

Oak Mill II, L.L.C.)

SE Oak Mill II REIT, LLC (fka SCG Atlas Oak

Mill II REIT, L.L.C.) SE Oak Mill II, LLC

SE Stoney Ridge Holdings, L.L.C. (fka SCG

Atlas Stoney Ridge Holdings, L.L.C.)

SE Stoney Ridge I, LLC

SE Stoney Ridge REIT, L.L.C. (fka SCG Atlas

Stoney Ridge REIT, L.L.C.)

SE Stoney Ridge, LLC (fka SCG Atlas Stoney

Ridge, L.L.C.) SFH1, LLC

SFR WLIF I, LLC (fka NexPoint WLIF I, LLC) SFR WLIF II, LLC (NexPoint WLIF II, LLC)

SFR WLIF III, LLC (NexPoint WLIF III, LLC) SFR WLIF Manager, LLC (NexPoint WLIF

Manager, LLC)

SFR WLIF, LLC (NexPoint WLIF, LLC)

SFR WLIF, LLC Series I SFR WLIF, LLC Series II SFR WLIF, LLC Series III Small Cap Equity Sub, LLC

Socially Responsible Equity Sub, LLC

SOF Brandywine I Owner, L.P. SOF Brandywine II Owner, L.P.

SOF-X GS Owner, L.P.

Southfork Cayman Holdings, Ltd.

Southfork CLO, Ltd.

Specialty Financial Products Designated Activity Company (fka Specialty Financial

Products Limited)
Spiritus Life, Inc.
SRL Whisperwod LLC

SRL Whisperwood Member LLC SRL Whisperwood Venture LLC

SSB Assets LLC Stonebridge PEF

Stonebridge-Highland Healthcare Private Equity

Fund

Strand Advisors III, Inc.
Strand Advisors IV, LLC
Strand Advisors IX, LLC
Strand Advisors V, LLC
Strand Advisors XIII, LLC
Strand Advisors XVI, Inc.
Strand Advisors, Inc.
Stratford CLO, Ltd.

Summers Landing Apartment Investors, L.P.

The Dugaboy Investment Trust

The Get Good Non-Exempt Trust No. 1 The Get Good Non-Exempt Trust No. 2

The Get Good Trust

The Ohio State Life Insurance Company The Okada Family Foundation, Inc.

The SLHC Trust Thread 55, LLC

Tranquility Lake Apartments Investors, L.P.

Trev Parker

Tricor Business Outsourcing Turtle Bay Holdings, LLC Tuscany Acquisition, LLC

United States Army Air Force Exchange

Services

Uptown at Cityplace Condominium Association,

Inc.

US Gaming OpCo, LLC Valhalla CLO, Ltd. VB GP LLC VB Holding, LLC VB One, LLC

VB OP Holdings LLC VBAnnex C GP, LLC VBAnnex C Ohio, LLC

VBAnnex C, LP

VineBrook Annex B, L.P. VineBrook Annex I, L.P.

VineBrook Homes Merger Sub II LLC

VineBrook Homes Merger Sub LLC

VineBrook Homes OP GP, LLC

VineBrook Homes Operating Partnership, L.P.

VineBrook Homes Trust, Inc.

VineBrook Partners I, L.P.

VineBrook Partners II, L.P.

VineBrook Properties, LLC

Wake LV Holdings II, Ltd.

Wake LV Holdings, Ltd.

Walter Holdco GP, LLC

Walter Holdco I, Ltd.

Walter Holdco, L.P.

Westchester CLO, Ltd.

Yellow Metal Merchants, Inc.

Taxing & Other Governmental

Authorities

Los Angeles County Tax Collector State of California Franchise Tax Board State of Delaware Division of Revenue U.S.

U.S. Internal Revenue Service

Banks and Secured Parties

BBVA

Frontier State Bank

Jefferies, LLC Prime Brokerage Services

KeyBank National Association

The Mark and Pamela Okada Family Trust –

Exempt Trust #1

Bankruptcy Judges - Northern District of

Texas

Chief Judge Barbara J. Houser

Judge Harlin D. Hale

Judge Stacey G. Jernigan

Judge Edward L. Morris

Judge Mark X. Mullin

Judge Robert L. Jones

US Trustee & Trial Attorneys – Northern

District of Texas

Lisa Lambert

Meredyth Kippes

Stephen McKitt

Nancy Resnick Erin Schmidt

Elizabeth Young

Notice Parties

Alvarez & Marshal CF Management, LLC

Coleman County TAD

Fannin CAD

Allen ISD

Rockwall CAD

Kaufman County

Tarrant County

Dallas County

Upshur County

Grayson County

Irving ISD

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Patrick Daugherty

Hunter Mountain Trust

Integrated Financial Associates

BET Investments, II, L.P.

Crescent TC Investors, L.P.

Intertrust Entities

CLO Entities

Schedule 2

Results of Conflicts Search

- (a) Circumstances in which Sidley has represented clients other than the Committee in matters involving the Debtor:
 - (1) Before the Committee was formed, Sidley appeared on behalf of Jefferies, LLC ("Jefferies"), a creditor of the Debtor, in connection with the Debtor's cash collateral motion (the "Cash Collateral Motion") at the first hearing in the Chapter 11 Case. Prior to the formation of the Committee, Sidley notified Jefferies that it would no longer represent Jefferies in this matter if the Committee decided to retain Sidley as its counsel. After the Committee voted to retain Sidley on October 29, 2019, Sidley and Jefferies agreed that Sidley would no longer represent Jefferies in this matter, and Jefferies has since retained another law firm to represent its interests in the case. Sidley believes that its prior representation of Jefferies does not affect its representation of the Committee in this Chapter 11 Case. Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, the Sidley attorneys who advised Jefferies in connection with the Cash Collateral Motion will not be part of the team of Sidley attorneys representing the Committee in this Chapter 11 Case.

(b) Representations by Sidley of the Debtor

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
None	None

(c) Representations by Sidley of the Debtor's Top 20 Unsecured Creditors

Former Unrelated Representations
DLA Piper LLP

(d) Representations by Sidley of Related Professionals

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
FTI Consulting	None
Sidley represents a subsidiary or affiliate of: Morrison Cohen LLP	

(e) Representations by Sidley of the Debtor's Equity Holders (Direct and Indirect)

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
None	None

(f) Representations by Sidley of the Debtor's Affiliated Parties

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
NexBank Capital, Inc.	Ohio State Life Insurance Company
Pershing LLC	

(g) Representations by Sidley of Other Parties

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
Brentwood Investors Corp.	
Concord Management, LLC	
Grosvenor Capital Management, L.P	
FRM Investment Management	

(h) Representations by Sidley of the Debtor's Taxing and Governmental Authorities

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
Los Angeles County	None

(i) Representations by Sidley of Debtor's Banks and Secured Parties

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
Jefferies, LLC Prime Brokerage Services	None
KeyBank National Association	
Sidley represents a subsidiary or affiliate of:	
BBVA	

(j) Representations by Sidley of the Bankruptcy Court Judges and Office of the United States Trustee of the Northern District of Texas

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
None	None

(k) Representations by Sidley of the Notice Parties

Active Unrelated Representations	Former Unrelated Representations
Alvarez & Marshal CF Management, LLC	None
Sidley represents a subsidiary or affiliate of: Integrated Financial Associates	

EXHIBIT C

Felton Declaration

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

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Chapter 11

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., 1

Case No. 19-34054 (SGJ)

Debtor.

DECLARATION OF ERIC A. FELTON IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 328 AND 1103 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND FEDERAL RULE OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE 2014 FOR AN ORDER APPROVING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

- I, Eric A. Felton, declare under penalty of perjury as follows:
- 1. I, Eric A. Felton, am a representative of the Redeemer Committee of the Highland Crusader Fund ("Redeemer"). Redeemer was elected to be the Chairperson of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") appointed in the above-captioned chapter 11 proceeding (the "Chapter 11 Case"). I am authorized to submit this declaration (the "Declaration") in support of the Application of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Pursuant to Sections 328 and 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedures 2014 for an Order Approving the Retention and Employment of Sidley Austin LLP as Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Application")² on behalf of the Committee.

¹ The Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (6725). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Debtor is 300 Crescent Court, Suite 700, Dallas, TX 75201.

² Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

The Committee's Selection of Sidley as Counsel

- 2. On October 29, 2019, the Office of the U.S. Trustee appointed the Committee pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Committee consists of the following four (4) members: (i) Redeemer Committee of Highland Crusader Fund; (ii) Meta-e Discovery; (iii) UBS Securities LLC and UBS AG London Branch; and (iv) Acis Capital Management, L.P. and Acis Capital Management GP, LLP.
- 3. At a meeting held on October 29, 2019, the Committee, among other things, voted to retain Sidley as its counsel, subject to Court approval. The Committee selected Sidley as its counsel after interviewing four (4) other law firms.
- 4. The Committee believes that Sidley's extensive experience in corporate reorganizations, both out of court and under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, makes it well qualified to represent the Committee in this Chapter 11 Case in an efficient and timely manner.

Rate Structure

5. Sidley has informed the Committee that its rates for bankruptcy representations are consistent with and comparable to the rates Sidley charges for non-bankruptcy representations. Sidley has informed the Committee that its current hourly rates apply to non-bankruptcy services, if any, provided by the Firm, unless a contingent fee, mixed contingent fee, flat fee, or blended rate arrangement is agreed upon.

Cost Supervision

6. The Committee will approve any prospective budget and staffing plan provided by Sidley, recognizing that, in the course of large chapter 11 cases like this Chapter 11 Case, it is possible that there may be a number of unforeseen fees and expenses that will need to be addressed by the Committee and Sidley. I further recognize that it is the Committee's responsibility to closely monitor the billing practices of its professionals to ensure the fees and expenses paid by

the estate remain consistent with the Committee's expectations and the exigencies of the Chapter 11 Case. The Committee will review the invoices that Sidley regularly submits, and, together with Sidley, periodically amend any budget and staffing plans, as the case develops.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: December 6_, 2019

Eric A. Felton, in his capacity as a

representative of the Redeemer Committee of

the Highland Crusader Fund